



Connectives

Here are some one-word connectives.

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| and | but | when | because |
| so | for | as | though |



Choose a different one of these connectives to link each of the paired sentences below. Remember: Connectives are words or phrases that link together different parts of a text. Connectives that link sentences, clauses, or parts of phrases are called conjunctions.

I fell over. I hurt my knee.

The game ended. The referee blew his whistle.

She couldn't ride her bike. It had a puncture.

I couldn't spell that word. I fetched the dictionary.

We arrived on time. The train was delayed.

Here are some words and phrases that can also be used as connectives.

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| also | however | this means | for example | as this |
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Fit the connectives above into the spaces in these three paragraphs.

Many kinds of words can be used to connect ideas in a piece of writing. F____, c____, p____, a____, and c____ are all useful.

T____ that we can make our writing more varied and more interesting to read. A____, the words we choose can help us to make our meaning clearer to our readers.

H____, we should try not to use too many of these connectives in a short piece. ____ can make our sentences long and confusing.